



The 2003 Midwest Archives Conference Presidents' Award was presented to the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive Advisory Committee. The award was accepted by Prof. Joanne Gabrynowicz. The nomination was prepared by John Faundeen, Archivist, EROS Data Center, U.S. Geological Survey, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

In 1992, Congress directed the Department of the Interior (of which the USGS is a part) to establish a permanent Government archive containing satellite remote sensing data of the Earth's land surface -- and to make these data easily accessible and readily available for study. Residing in the USGS' Earth Resources Observation System (EROS) Data Center (EDC) near Sioux Falls, South Dakota, this collection of information is known legally as the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Archive (NSLRSDA). It is a comprehensive, permanent, and impartial record of the planet's land surface derived from 40+ years of satellite remote sensing.

Joanne Gabrynowicz--Director and Professor of Law at the National Remote Sensing and Space Law Center of the University of Mississippi--was appointed to the committee as the non-affiliated individual, and was voted by the committee members to be co-chair for both charter periods.

Congratulations to Professor Gabrynowicz



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